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: NUCLEIC ACIDS CIRCULARIZED BY  
: DNA COMPACTING AGENTS

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**RESPONSE**

**Mail Stop Amendment**  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The Applicant responds to the Official Action dated November 1, 2004 as follows: